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**REQUEST
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Application Number	08/894,351
Filing Date	October 27, 1997
First Named Inventor	REDECKER, KLAUS
Art Unit	3641
Examiner Name	MILLER
Attorney Docket Number	306.35565X00

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
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- b. Other _____

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 29, 2002

Sir:

Subsequent to the filing of the notice of appeal on February 28, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Three times Amended) Gas-producing composition for gas generators, wherein said gas-producing composition comprises,

a) at least one nitrogen-containing compound selected from the group consisting of tetrazole, triazole, triazine, cyanic acid, urea, their derivatives and their salts;

b) at least three oxidant compounds including at least one representative each from three of the four groups consisting of peroxides, nitrates, chlorates and perchlorates; and

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